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Amendments to the Specification:

On page 1, line 1 please insert the following paragraph:

--TITLE OF THE INVENTION--

On page 1, line 2, please inset the following paragraph:

--CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

Applicants claim priority under 35 U.S.C. §119 of German Application No. 198 58 023.1 filed on December 16, 1998 and German Application No. 199 11 247.9 filed on March 13, 1999. Applicants also claim priority under 35 U.S.C. §365 of PCT/EP 99/09881 filed on December 14, 1999. The international application under PCT article 21(2) was not published in English.--

On page 1, line 2 immediately following the paragraph entitled "CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS", please insert the following paragraph:

--BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION--

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--Field of the Invention--

On page 1, line 17, please insert the following paragraph:

--Prior Art--

On page 2, line 19, please insert the following paragraph:

--SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION--

On page 6, line 17, please insert the following paragraph:

--BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWING--

On page 6, line 21, please insert the following paragraph:

--DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE INVENTION--

Please replace the Abstract with the Abstract attached as
Attachment A.